

**REQUEST  
FOR**

**CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
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Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Application Number: 09/642,068  
Filing Date: August 18, 2000 #14/188  
First Named Inventor: STUELPNAGEL 3/2/03  
Group Art Unit: 1637  
Examiner Name: T. STRZELECKA  
Attorney Docket No.: A-68364-1/RMS/DCF  
[469249-170]

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. 1.114 of the above-captioned application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application

I hereby certify that this document is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class main addressed to Commissioner for Patents, Box RCE, Washington, D.C. 20231 on this 13th day of February 2003.  
Name: Mari Kleineidam

**1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_ (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered.)
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- iii. ☐ Other: 02/21/2003 SSESHE1 00000101 09642068
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment and Response to Final Office Action C:2203
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (including Form PTO-1449 and References)
- iv. ☒ Other: **Request for Extension of Time of Three Months**

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**2. Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-captioned application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed three months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required.)
- b. ☐ Other:

**3. Fees** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Fees are calculated as follows:
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| i. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RCE BASIC FEE   | \$        | \$ 740.00   | \$ 375.00  |
| ii. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXTENSION FEES   | \$        | One-Month \$ 110.00<br>Two-Month 410.00<br>Three-Month 930.00<br>Four-Month 1450.00<br>Five-Month 1970.00 | \$ 55.00<br>205.00<br>465.00<br>725.00<br>985.00 |
| iii. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER (MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS AND 8 EXTRA CLAIMS IN EXCESS OF 20 (\$72.00) AND 1 EXTRA INDEPENDENT CLAIM IN EXCESS OF 3 (\$84.00)) | \$ 140.00 | \$  | \$ 156.00  |
- b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$1,136.00 is enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any variance between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges to **Deposit Account No. 50-2319**.
- c. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fees as indicated above, charge any variance or credit any overpayments, to **Deposit Account No. 50-2319**.

SUBMITTED BY

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